

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q87635

Toshihiko OKAMOTO, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/533,309

Group Art Unit: 1796

Confirmation No.: 4780

Examiner: Margaret G MOORE

Filed: January 5, 2006

For: CURABLE COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR IMPROVING RECOVERY  
PROPERTIES AND CREEP PROPERTIES

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:


In response to the Office Action of December 16, 2008 and the Restriction Requirement set forth therein, applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-10, 12-14, 22-26, 77, 79 and 80 for examination in the present application.

In response to the Election of Species Requirement set forth in the Office Action, applicants hereby selects the species "(a)," namely, silicate (B). Claims 1, 2, 3, 12-14, 22-26, 77, 79 and 80 are readable on the elected species.

Applicants make these elections without traverse.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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